Sri A. P. APPANNA.—To my knowledge, I do not know whether such a recommendation has been made. But now the Government have not proposed formation of any such Board.

Repair of Leaky Sluice

400. Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY (Chicknayakanahalli).—

Will the Minister of State for Minor Irrigation be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to repair the leaky sluice, washed out waste-weir and damaged channel of Syed Husally Tank of Chickanayakanahally taluk ;

(*b*) since how long the sluice is leaky ?

Sri D. PARAMESWARAPPA (Deputy Minister for Major Irrigation and Electricity) [On behalf of SRI A. J. DODDAMETI, (Minister of State for Minor Irrigation)].—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Since December 1967.

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿ. ಕೆ. ರಾಜಯ್ಯ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ.—ಈ ಕೆರೆ 6 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಕೆಳಗೆ ರಿಪೇರಿಯಾಗಿ ತೂಬು ಸರಿಮಾಡಲು 6 ಸಾವಿರ ರೂಪಾಯಿ ಖರ್ಚು ಮಾಡರಾಗಿದೆ. ಆಗಿನಿಂದ ಎರಡರಪ್ಪು ಲೀಕ್ ಆಗುತ್ತಿದೆ. 1967ರಿಂದ ಇಂಜನಿಯರು ತಪ್ಪು ಮುಚ್ಚಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಈ ರೀತಿಯು ಇನ್‌ಫರ್ಮೇಷನ್ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರಲ್ಲವೇ ?

† Sri D. PARAMESWARAPPA.—Information is furnished by the Officers according to facts.

Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY.—Just because I exposed the reality will the Government examine and punish the officers concerned ?

Sri D. PARAMESWARAPPA.—If necessary, action will be taken.

Construction of Ane to waste-weir Halla

402. Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY (Chicknayakanahalli).—

Will the Minister of State for Minor Irrigation be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether Government had called for tenders for constructing Ane to waste-weir halla of Shigadahalli Dalavay Tank of Chicknayakanahally taluk ;

(*b*) if so, the reason for delay ;

(*c*) the expected atchkat under the proposed Ane ?

§Sri D. PARAMESWARAPPA (Deputy Minister for Major Irrigation and Electricity) [on behalf of SRI A. J. DODDAMETI (Minister of State for Minor Irrigation)].—

(*a*) No.
(*b*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*a*).
(*c*) The matter is under examination.

Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY.—In the year 1951 tenders were called for and it was entrusted to one Suryanarayana Rao and the Chief Engineer ordered to take up the work. May I know the reality about it ?

†Sri D. PARAMESWARAPPA.—According to information available to me, no tenders have been called for and the matter is still under examination.

Public Auction of Obsolete Utsava Murthies

420. Sri V. L. SHIVAPPA (Tiptur).—

Will the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether a few of the obsolete Utsava Murthies (or Chariot idols) belonging to Sri Byatarayaswamy of Nonavinakere (Tiptur Taluk) were put up for Public auction during the year 1965-66 ;

(*b*) whether the bid still awaits acceptance after 2½ years and the only bidder's money of Rs. 2,000 and odd is not yet returned in spite of repeated requests or the idols delivered ;

(*c*) the reasons for the inordinate delay ?

Sri H. V. KOUJALGI (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) No obsolete Utsava Murthies were put up for public auction during the year 1965-66.

(*b*) 1. Quotations were called for by the Tahsildar, Tiptur Taluk during the year 1966 from persons who are interested in the sale of 'idols'. One Sri T. S. Raja Rao of Tiptur offered the highest quotation of Rs. 2,000 for idols.

2. As the matter relates to the antiquities whose export is controlled by the Export Control Committee of the Archaeological Survey of India, the Superintending Archaeologist, Archaeological Survey of India, Southern Circle, Madras and the Director of Archaeology, Mysore, have been addressed. The matter is under correspondence.

3. The Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur has been addressed to refund the tender amount to the person who offered the highest tender if he is not prepared to await the decision of the Archaeological Survey of India.

(*c*) *Vide* paras 1 to 3 of the replies to part (*b*) of the Question.